



2019 Hospice Regattas National Championship
June 21-23, 2019
Organizing Authority - College of Charleston
Notice of Race



Dated 28 February 2019

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The J22 Class rules will not be in effect.
- 1.3 Prescription to 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4 Appendix V will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The regatta will comply with ISAF regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entries will be accepted from racing skippers and hospice impact skippers who have been selected by their local Hospice Regatta organizers and who have been invited by the NHRA to compete in this 20th annual Hospice Regattas National Championship.
- 3.2 Each skipper must be a member of US SAILING; however membership in the J/22 class association is not required.
- 3.3 Entries shall be submitted on the official regatta website at <http://hospiceregattas.org/schedule/2019-championship/>, and are due by **April 1, 2019**. Payments can be made online or by check to NHRA, P.O. Box 1054, McLean VA 22101.
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 3.5 Refunds: No refund will be paid to any skipper/team who withdraws within 30 days of the Championship.

4 BOAT ASSIGNMENTS and FORMAT

- 4.1 The Organizing Authority will be providing 10 J/22s with sails for the Championship.

4.2 Initial boat assignments will be determined by a drawing at the Thursday, June 20, 2019 Competitors' Meeting. There after a boat drawing will be held each morning before boats are rigged.

4.3 Boats will be checked in and checked out in accordance with the host procedures. Skippers shall not leave their boats after racing has been completed for the day before completing the check-in procedure.

4.4 The event format will be determined after the close of registration. The OA may modify the assignment format based on the number of complete entries and the boats available for the event.

5 FEES: Required fees are as follows:

5.1 Entry Fee: The Championship entry fee is \$500.00, which includes four (4) social passes for skipper and crew to all events as listed in NOR 6 **SCHEDULE**

5.2 Security Deposit: All skippers are required to post a \$500 damage deductible security deposit prior to the close of registration. See **Attachment "A"** below for insurance and security deposit details.

6 SCHEDULE

Thursday, 20 June	1000-1200	Registration and collection of damage deposit at CofC docks
	1100-1700	Practice Sailing J22
	1400	Practice Starts and Races
	1800	Competitors Meeting & Welcome Reception: Sailing Inc Charleston/Quantum Sails
Friday, 21 June	1100	1st Warning, additional races to follow
	1800	Reception and dinner on your own
Saturday, 22 June	1100	1st Warning, additional races to follow
	1800	Dinner at Charleston Yacht Club
Sunday, 23 June	1030	1st Warning, additional races to follow
	1400	No Warning signal to be displayed
	1500	Awards at CofC docks

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available on the official regatta website, <http://hospiceregattas.org/schedule/2019-championship/>, on or before June 7, 2019, and will be distributed at registration.

8 VENUE

All races will be sailed in the Charleston Harbor area. Specific areas may be in the Cooper River near the "Yorktown", or in the case of lighter winds and strong current sailing will be in the area of "Crab Bank" to the south and east of the marina or south of Castle Pinckney.

9 THE COURSES

Windward-leeward drop-mark courses are planned. Offset marks and leeward gates may be used. Additional information will be listed in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

The sailing instructions will invoke US Sailing prescription RRS Appendix V (ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES).

11 SCORING

11.1 There will be 9 races scheduled.

11.2 After 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

11.3 A minimum of one race scored is required to constitute a regatta.

12 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the College of Charleston Sailing Center, as defined by the OA.

13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the PRO and OA.

14 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the end of registration and the end of the regatta. There will be no cleaning below the waterline of assigned boats.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1 Use of a handheld VHF radio will be permitted for monitoring weather channels or RC communications to competitors on VHF channel 69.

15.2 The RC intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS boats after the start and other communications to the fleet.

15.3 Failure to receive an OCS hail, for the hail to be made, the order of hails made, or to receive other communications to the fleet shall not be grounds for granting redress. This sentence is added to RRS 62.1(a).

16 PRIZES

Series prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams. The winning team will be awarded the Virginia Brown Inspiration Trophy, kept and displayed by the winning team until the next Championship.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and the NHRA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 CREW LIMITATIONS

18.1 The Championship is open to qualified crews that contain no more than one Group 3 Professional Competitor, as defined by the ISAF Classification system.

18.2 A group 3 competitor may not steer during a race unless he is the selected competitor from his nominating Hospice Regatta.

18.3 The crew number limit is three to four.

18.4 There will be no crew weight limit.

18.5 Crew substitutions will be permitted with advance written permission from the OA.

19 SAFTY AND OTHER EQUIPMENT

19.1 All competitors shall have onboard a personal flotation device.

19.2 The OA will not provide life jacket or PFD. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.

19.3 The boats will have the following equipment onboard:

Mainsail with main sheet, Jib with 2 Jib sheets, Spinnaker with 2 Spinnaker sheets, 2 twing lines, a spinnaker pole and down haul, a winch handle, and a roll of white e-tape.

19.4 Competitors may bring any other personal equipment as desired on board the racing boat. This includes electronic compass, stopwatch, tools and tape. All items must be removed when the team leaves the boat.

19.5 Each Boat will bring and have onboard their own working VHF Radio.

19.6 The J/22s will be prepared by the OA, no adjustment to the standing rigging or mast deck blocks shall be permitted, expect for the tension of the backstay. Further information provided in the sailing instructions.

19.7 No other equipment can/will be attached to the boat and/or its rigging. No markings can be applied to its deck. No tape other than the tape supplied by the OA can be used on the boat.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional Championship information can be found at

<http://hospiceregattas.org/schedule/2019-championship/>, or by contacting the committee at championship@hospiceregattas.org

Regatta Chairmen - Tom Tomlinson, Mark LeNeave

Notice of Race - Attachment "A"
Boat Insurance

1. The College of Charleston will have boat insurance for each borrowed. Each team is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the Organizing Authority. Insurance deductible deposits of \$500 shall be posted by each competing team at registration. Damage deposits must be cash or check. Checks should be made payable to College of Charleston.
2. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each team for each incident. If a boat is damaged in a race, and any part of a team's deductible is used, the team will be required to restore the damage deposit to the original value to maintain eligibility. The additional damage deposit must be made within the protest time limit period on that day.
3. A completed Boat Inspection Form shall be submitted by a representative of each competing team following sailing on each day (Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). The form shall be submitted to the Race Committee at Race Headquarters within two hours of the last boat's finish time for the last race of the day or abandonment of the race.
4. Boat Insurance arranged by the College of Charleston provides protection ONLY to the owners for damage to their boats. This insurance does not relieve competitors from liability in the event a competitor causes injury to other persons or property.
5. If damages occur that were not reflected on a completed Boat Inspection Form, the costs will be paid from the deposit of the team(s) causing the damage when so noted and determined by the Organizing Authority. Damages not attributed to a single team will be deducted from the damage deposits of the teams which used the affected boat during the regatta, in equal shares, and the balance returned by the Organizing Authority. A detailed accounting of expended funds will be supplied to each team that did not receive the full amount back.
6. Damage deposits will be refunded within 30 days after the event to all skippers who are clear of outstanding protest hearings, and outstanding damage reports on the Boat Inspection Forms.